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Sir:

Pursuant to the requirements of 35 USC §119 and 37 CFR §1.55, Applicants hereby claim the right of priority based on Japanese Patent Application No. 11-069540, filed in Japan on March 16, 1999.

A certified copy of the above-identified Japanese patent application was submitted on April 27, 2000, in prior application Serial No. 09/513,330, filed February 25, 2000.

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